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For: LAMINATION APPARATUS

APPENDIX OF CLAIMS

- 1. (previously amended) A lamination apparatus to form lamination layers of laminate film pasted on surfaces of printed matter, containing a shaft to support a core roll with films wound therearound, wherein said shaft has a cylindrical surface and an axial direction, said shaft having a groove on the cylindrical surface along the axial direction where a deformable tube and having two ends is set with both ends fixed by fittings.
- 2. (previously amended) A lamination apparatus to form lamination layers of laminate film pasted on surfaces of printed matter, containing a shaft to support a core roll with films wound therearound, wherein said shaft has a cylindrical surface and an axial direction, said shaft having a groove on the cylindrical surface along the axial direction where a deformable tube is set with a bar inserted therein, said bar having two ends and both ends of the bar fixed by fittings.

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- 3. (previously presented) The lamination apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said deformable tube is adapted to deform in a direction substantially perpendicular to said axial direction.
- 4. (previously presented) The lamination apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said deformable tube comprises a soft vinyl.
- 5. (previously presented) The lamination apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said printed matter is selected from the group consisting of posters, advertising fliers, and computer output media.
- 6. (previously presented) The lamination apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said deformable tube is adapted to deform in a direction substantially perpendicular to said axial direction.
- 7. (previously presented) The lamination apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said deformable tube comprises a soft vinyl.
- 8. (previously presented) The lamination apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said printed matter is selected from the group consisting of posters, advertising fliers, and computer output media.

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